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For: FAULT INTOLERANT CIPHER CHAINING)	January 27, 2005
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This responds to the Office Action dated December 16, 2004. The purpose of this response is to introduce into evidence the enclosed inventor's declaration explaining why the present rejections are incorrect as a technical matter. This amendment also cancels Claims 13 and 14.

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